

Sustaining Maine's Green Infrastructure

A Collaborative Effort Across Maine Sectors?

A Forum of the Governor's Steering Committee on
Maine's Natural Resource-based Industry

June 29, 2006
American Legion, Capitol Street Ext., Augusta
9:15 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 9:15 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks (Dick Barringer and Dick Davies)**
- 9:30 a.m. The State of Maine's Green Infrastructure (Jody Harris)**
- 10:00 a.m. Break**
- 10:15 a.m. Response Panel Discussion (Tim Glidden, Moderator)**
- Tom Doak, Executive Director, Small Woodlot Owners' Association of Maine
 - Stephanie Gilbert, Director, Farmland Protection Program
 - Kathleen Leyden, Director, Maine Coastal Program
 - David Soucy, Director, Bureau of Parks and Lands
 - Jeff Rowe, Craggy Rock Communications
 - Harry Vanderweide, Editor, *Maine Sportsman*, and Host, *Wildfire*
- 11:30 p.m. Green Infrastructure – What Are Other States Doing (Jody Harris)**
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch with Governor John Baldacci**
- 1:00 p.m. Small Group Discussion (Sue Inches, Lead, with small groups self-facilitated)**
- How should the upkeep and development of the state's green infrastructure be funded?
How may it be sustained?
 - What is the appropriate balance between fees, taxes, and bonding to support the state's green infrastructure?
 - Are endowments or corporate sponsorships to support green infrastructure appropriate?
 - Is there sufficient willingness among sectors to collaborate on a proposal for funding Maine's green infrastructure?
 - What are the priorities for funding?
- 2:15 p.m. Break**
- 2:30 p.m. Small Group Priorities (Sue Inches, Facilitator)**
- What are the top 3 priorities for action identified by the small groups?
- 3:00 p.m. Moving Forward (Dick and Dick)**
- Is a coalition realistic to move this effort forward?
 - If so, who should be part of the coalition? If not, what?
 - Where do we go from here?
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn**